

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Ashwin Anil Gumaste et al.  
Serial No.: 10/722,856  
Filing Date: November 26, 2003  
Confirmation No.: 8578  
Group Art Unit: 2664  
Title: Optical Ring Network with Optical Subnets and Method

**MAIL STOP: Amendments**  
Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In response to the electronically sent January 28, 2008, Applicants hereby elect without traverse to prosecute Embodiment 2 (Claims 1-12), subject to the following comments.